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The Honorable Cynthia T. Brown
Chief, Section of Administration
Surface Transportation Board
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**COMPLETION OF INTERIM TRAIL USE/RAILBANKING AGREEMENT
FOR A PORTION OF THE LINE AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF
PRIOR CONSUMMATION OF A PORTION OF THE LINE**

RE: Exempt Discontinuance of Service over a portion of the Bondurant Industrial Lead from Milepost 225.56 near Berwick to Milepost 232.80 near Bondurant, a distance of 7.24 miles in Polk County, Iowa; STB Docket AB-33 (Sub-No. 248X)

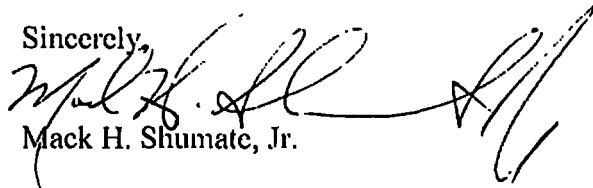
Dear Ms. Brown:

Union Pacific Railroad Company ("Union Pacific") and the Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation ("INHF") under the provisions 16 U.S.C. §1247(d) and 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29 closed the agreement for Interim Trail Use/Railbanking regarding that segment of the Union Pacific's Bondurant Industrial Lead from Milepost 226.38 near Berwick, to Milepost 232.52 near Bondurant, a distance of 6.14 miles in Polk County, Iowa. A copy of the INHF's letter dated September 12, 2011 filed with the Board confirming the closing of the Interim Trail Use/Railbanking Agreement is attached hereto as **Exhibit A** and is hereby made a part hereof.

PRIOR CONSUMMATION OF A PORTION OF THE LINE

The 1.10 mile remainder of the 7.24 mile line was not sold to INHF. Rather, as Union Pacific advised the Board on October 5, 2010, pursuant to the provisions of 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29(e)(2) the Union Pacific did consummate the abandonment of that portion of the Line from Milepost 225.56 to Milepost 226.38 and that the portion of the Line from Milepost 232.52 to Milepost 232.80.

Sincerely,



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Attachment

cc: Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation

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September 12, 2011

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BEFORE THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

RE: Union Pacific Railroad Company Railroad Abandonment, Polk County
in Iowa; Docket #AB-33 (Sub-No. 248X)

Interim Trail Use/Railbanking Agreement completed

On behalf of the Polk County Conservation Board, the City of Bondurant (public agencies), and the Iowa Trails Council (non-profit corporations); the Natural Heritage Foundation hereby notifies the Surface Transportation Board (STB or Board) that an agreement and sale has occurred for the above referenced corridor. The Iowa Natural Heritage Foundation and Polk County Conservation Board, the City of Bondurant (public agencies), and the Iowa Trails Council (non-profit corporations) have completed the negotiations and purchase with the Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR) to preserve this corridor for interim trail use and railbanking under section 8(d) of the National Trails System Act, 16 U.S.C. 1247 (d).

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark C. Ackelson".

Mark C. Ackelson, President

cc: Union Pacific Railroad, Polk CCB, City of Bondurant, Iowa Trails Council,
Rails-to-Trails Conservancy

